

House Passes Farm Tariff Bill by Vote Of 196-86

Action Taken After Eight Hours' Debate; Minor- ity Offers Amendments in Every Section Party Lines Broken In Approving Act

Measure Imposes Duties on Score of Products; Action by Senate This Session Is in Doubt

From the Tribune's Washington Bureau
WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The House to-night, by a vote of 196 to 86, passed the Fordney emergency tariff bill, imposing temporary duties upon a score of agricultural products, to protect the farmers. The vote came after eight hours' continuous debate, marked by persistent but futile efforts by the minority to amend the schedule.

Party lines were disregarded in the vote, forty-nine Democrats voting favorably and fourteen Republicans opposing it.

Not a single change was made, although practically every section was attacked and more than a score of amendments proposed, most of them by Representative Henry T. Rainey, Democrat, of Illinois, leader of the opposition.

Despite their victory, Republican leaders in the House were dubious as to whether the bill would be given Senate approval. The belief was prevalent that action in the Senate might be delayed, or that the bill might be so altered that its present schedules would be completely changed.

Substitute Legislation Predicted
In this connection a statement made by Representative Fordney, chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, was considered significant. He said he hoped that at the next session of Congress a relief measure will be substituted for this bill until a scientific schedule could be worked out. Mr. Fordney said he favored either the Dingley or the Payne-Aldrich schedule.

Minority leaders also predicted that the Senate would frown on the measure.

The vote showed a decided break in party lines. A number of Democrats, including Representatives John N. Garner and Thomas L. Blanton, of Texas, and Frank Clark, of Florida, voted for the protective tariff, while several Republicans, notably Martin B. Madden, of Illinois, opposed it.

A motion to reconsider the measure, made by Representative Hamilton Fish Jr., of New York, nearly succeeded a few minutes before the final vote.

Aimed to Halt Imports
Mr. Fish declared the bill should be aimed to the committee that temporary duties could be placed on dairy products, but his motion was lost on a point of order made by Representative Nicholas Longworth, of Ohio, and sustained by Representative Joseph Walsh, of Massachusetts, in the chair.

The tariff measure is designed to halt importations of farm products into this country until a permanent tariff schedule can be placed by the new Congress to convene March 4. It is intended to bring relief to the stockman and farmer, whose products are being crowded out of home markets by cheaper foreign products.

About \$130,000,000 in revenue will be raised by the bill during the ten months it would be effective, according to Treasury Department experts. Rates of duty provided in the measure are as follows:

Rates Provided by Measure
Wheat, 30 cents a bushel; wheat flour, 20 per cent ad valorem; corn or maize, 10 cents a bushel; beans, 20 cents a bushel; peas, 10 cents a bushel; lentils, 10 cents a bushel; rice, uncleaned, 14 cents a bushel; rice, cleaned, 2 cents a bushel; lemons, 15 cents a pound; peaches, 10 cents a pound; apples, 10 cents a bushel; cotton, 20 cents a pound; sheep, one year old, \$2 a head; sheep, less than one year old, \$1 a head; fresh butter and lard, 10 cents a pound; one staple cotton, \$2 a head; wool, with a compensatory duty of 7 cents a pound in addition to existing rates upon wool, 10 cents a pound; unwashed wool, 10 cents a pound; scoured wool, 10 cents a pound; scoured wool, 10 cents a pound; with a compensatory duty of 45 cents a pound in addition to existing rates upon wool.

German Plays Renewed With Police on Guard

Mrs. Hammerstein Presents
First Drama in Teutonic Tongue
Since War; Audience Small

New York's first dramatic performance in German since the war was given last night at the Manhattan playhouse, when Hans Knobloch's play "Die Siedende Glocke" was presented by Mrs. Oscar Hammerstein.

An attempt to put on a German opera at another playhouse a year ago was prevented. Although extra policemen were stationed at the opera house last night, there was not the slightest hostile demonstration.

Penalties containing a statement purporting to come from William F. Duggan, first vice-commander of the American Legion, to the effect that the Legion will make no objection to performing in German, were distributed among the audience, which filled the theater.

The drama was the first of a series of German plays, operas and operettas to be given by Mrs. Hammerstein. On Saturday the opera "Die Siedende Glocke" will be given in German.

Capital Must Care for Skilled Help in Dull Times, Says Court

Kansas Industrial Tribunal Insists Aged and Trained Employees Be Kept on Monthly Pay When Mills Are Obligated to Reduce Forces

Special Dispatch to The Tribune
TOPEKA, Kans., Dec. 22.—(By The Associated Press.)—The industrial tribunal in Kansas must arrange to take care of their skilled and faithful employees during times of depression under a decision issued by the Kansas Court of Industrial Relations yesterday in a complaint brought by employees against the Topeka Flour Mills, which recently closed down to about half its capacity.

"A very important question connected with the matter before us is its effect upon labor," said the court in announcing its decision. "The people of Kansas have solemnly declared by legislative act that workers engaged in this industry shall at all times receive a fair wage and have healthful and moral surroundings, and the reduction of the hours of operation, therefore, the millers should be very careful and solicitous concerning the matter of labor. Skilled and faithful employees should be given such treatment as will enable them during the period of limited production to support themselves and families."

Skilled Men Paid by Month
The evidence before us shows that in the Topeka mills skilled men are being paid a monthly wage and are, therefore, drawing pay whether the mill is running or not. So far as it is possible to do so this rule should be recognized in all the mills of the state.

Baker's List of Staff Eligibles Causes Furor

Only 306 Regular Army Officers and Same Number of Civilians Out of 6,956 Named for Duty

Noted Fighters Slighted

From the Tribune's Washington Bureau
WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—No action by Secretary of War Newton D. Baker since the beginning of his term as head of the army has had a more widespread effect in lessening the morale of the commissioned personnel of the army than his approval of the list of eligibles for general staff duty made public to-day by the War Department.

The list contains only 306 officers of the regular army, and an equal number of civilians who served with distinction during the war. The selections were made by a committee of officers, headed by General John J. Pershing, and apparently there is no appeal from it.

Hundreds of army officers are smarting under the blanket accusation of "inefficiency" brought against them by reason of their names being omitted from the list. The selections were made from the list of 6,956 army officers with ranks of captain and upward. The implication against those not selected, many of whom had divisional or staff commands during the World War is that they are lacking in "education, military experience and character"—three prerequisites required by the wording of the national defense act, under which the staff is selected.

Men Who Made History Omitted
Men who made history in France, who led entire corps, or who were at the head of their divisions in some of the most terrific fighting of the war have been arbitrarily classed as unfit for staff duty and in order to be eligible for future service with the staff they must go to "school" and traverse the same road that the youngest lieutenant in the service must tread.

Although the list was compiled by General Pershing, Major General James W. McAndrews, head of the general staff college, Charles H. Munter and Hugh A. Drum, of the Leavenworth army school; Brigadier General Frank T. Hines, formerly chief of transportation, and Brigadier General Samuel D. Sturgis, Secretary Baker to-day took full responsibility for the selections.

"I have approved the report of the committee," said General Pershing. "I have approved the report of the committee."

Poses as 'Rickenbacker,'
Wins Bride and \$3,000

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 22.—Police of Jacksonville and other Florida cities to-night were searching for a man accused of posing as Captain Eddie Rickenbacker, the leading ace of America's war aviators, and of having under that name married Miss Frances G. Hannan, of New York and Jacksonville, Monday at St. Augustine, and of having made his getaway with more than \$3,000 obtained from several persons.

John Doe warrant, charging embezzlement, was sworn out against the missing bridegroom late to-day by Charles Day, a hotel proprietor here. Day in his warrant charged the missing man with having obtained \$350 on a fraudulent check which he indorsed.

W. M. Parsons, of New York, a salesman for a brass manufacturing concern, also has told the police that he would like again to see the man, declaring that after serving as a witness at the wedding he found that \$1,000 in cash, his watch, a diamond ring and a diamond stick pin were missing.

Mrs. Rosa L. Hannan, of New York, mother of the bride, said to-day that she did not know the man her daughter married, but that her daughter had told her she had known him "a long time."

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Preparatory Training for Harding Aids

Secretaries of State and Treasury May Be An- nounced in January, so They May Study Tasks Offer to Hughes Is Declared "Fiction"

Senator Expected to Have Reached Final Decision Before Going on Trip

From a Staff Correspondent
MARION, Ohio, Dec. 22.—A plan by which two or three of the members of the Harding Cabinet might begin early in the coming year to function in an informative way and act as a nucleus about which the remainder of the Cabinet might be built is under serious consideration here.

Questions of the most pressing importance, both international and domestic, it was pointed out by men in close touch with the President-elect, will demand instant attention after March 4. Prompt announcement of the appointment of the Secretaries of State and of the Treasury and assumption of responsibility by them would permit them to gain immediate touch with foreign and financial affairs.

They would be enabled to attend Congressional hearings, come into contact with Congressional committees and prominent men of other nations and assemble at first hand information and material of inestimable value in carrying out the policies to be followed for the next four years. In addition to clarifying a course to be followed without delay, their labors, it is said, would tend to simplify the rounding out of the Harding official family into a harmonious and efficient body.

Date of Announcement Uncertain
It is expected that Senator Harding, in his own mind at least, will have settled on the identity of the members of his Cabinet whose departments will be directly concerned with America's most pressing questions before he leaves Marion early in the coming year. He has not determined, so far as is known, when he will make these identities known to the public.

Senator Harding reiterated emphatically to-day that he had made no cabinet positions to any one. "No Cabinet yet has been chosen by me," he said. "Any announcement to that effect is speculative fiction." Concerning reports from Washington that the names of the cabinet members had been indicated by Senator Knox to the chief of staff of the Secretary of State, he added: "I find this one of the most complete bits of holiday fiction writing which has yet been brought to my attention."

It may be stated on unquestioned authority, however, that Justice Hughes is under most serious consideration for that post. In the opinion of men in the closest touch with the cabinet, he is regarded as one of the leading candidates. It is known with equal certainty that Senator Harding also is considering Senator Charles McNary, of the office, Herbert Hoover is another leader who has not been eliminated as a Cabinet possibility.

At least one man is being given consideration for the post of chief of cabinet whose name, so far as is known, has never been mentioned publicly as a Cabinet possibility. His name is still being withheld, but he is most favorably regarded, may be eliminated because of inability to accept from personal or business reasons. The field, therefore, is still open, and Senator Harding expects to make his decision in a few days.

Command of Canal at Stake
It was announced to-day in connection with the report that 120 of Gabriele d'Annunzio's legionnaires have landed at Castelvener, that Castelvener was assigned to the Jugo-Slavs by the Treaty of Rapallo, and that its only strategic importance lies in the fact that it commands the southern part of the Montagna Canal.

LONDON, Dec. 22.—An encounter between Italian regulars and D'Annunzio's legionnaires is reported to have taken place at Jeleni, ten miles from Fiume, says a dispatch to The London Times from Trieste. One regular soldier was killed and two were wounded.

The dispatch adds that the government carabinieri put the rebel Arditi to flight by a counterattack.

The greater part of D'Annunzio's legionnaires who landed at Castelvener have been maintained by the Italian regulars, according to a Trieste dispatch. The London Times, received by way of Milan.

D'Annunzio's forces consist of 5,000 troops at Fiume, 200 at San Marcos, 200 on the island of Arbe and 600 at Veglia. They possess several field guns, machine guns and armored cars. The post's fleet includes five destroyers, two torpedo boats, eight tugs and five steamships.

General Cavaglia's appeal to the civilians in Fiume to leave the city, says the dispatch, has created a tremendous impression.

Caruso Fails to Sing; Cold Given as Cause

Physician Declares Tenor's
Condition Is Not Serious and
He Will Appear To-morrow

ENRICO CARUSO was unable to sing in "L'Elisir d'Amore" at the Metropolitan Opera House last night, but his secretary denied that the great tenor's indisposition was serious, and asserted that unquestionably he would sing to-morrow night, when "La Juive" is the bill.

It was in "L'Elisir d'Amore" that Caruso had throat hemorrhage eleven nights ago in Brooklyn, which caused a breakdown. His physician, Dr. Horowitz, said at the time that the hemorrhage was not serious.

Dr. Horowitz said last night that Mr. Caruso had a little cold and it was deemed best that he should not appear. According to the physician there was no reason why Caruso should not sing to-morrow night.

A Word of Welcome is always expressed by the Metropolitan to the great tenor. He is met by a delegation of the opera house staff, and a white awning is set out to receive him. He is met by the Metropolitan staff, and a white awning is set out to receive him. He is met by the Metropolitan staff, and a white awning is set out to receive him.

Chaos if U. S. Shuns League Says George

No Peace Till Competition in Armaments Is De- stroyed, He Says, Urging Conference of Nations League a Failure Unless All Join It

By Arthur S. Draper
From the Tribune's Washington Bureau
WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—(By The Associated Press.)—The United States must not shun the League of Nations, or chaos will result, said Senator George, of New York, in a speech to-day in connection with the League of Nations conference in Washington.

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Coal Dealers Admit Paying Federal Clerks

Association Official Says \$6,000 Was Appropriated for U. S. Survey With Director's Permission

From the Tribune's Washington Bureau
WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Confirmation of reports that the National Coal Association has paid the salaries of certain employees of the United States Geological Survey who are engaged in preparing the government coal statistics, was contained to-day in testimony of officials of the association before the Calder Senate committee which is investigating the coal industry. Testimony of J. D. A. Morrow, vice-president of the association, showed that for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1919, and ended June 30, 1920, the association expended about \$500 a month for this purpose. W. B. Reed, secretary and treasurer, gave similar testimony.

According to Mr. Morrow the plan was carried out after conferences with Director George Otis Smith, of the Geological Survey, and the reason for it was that Congress had made no appropriation for the government coal statistics and it was deemed important for the coal men that these statistics should not be abandoned.

Baker Ordered Coal Purchase
Another disclosure of the committee hearing, which lasted the entire day, was that in September, under orders of Secretary Baker, the War Department went into the market and bought up its winter coal supply at spot prices. The amount purchased amounted to millions of tons, according to Senator Calder, and the department paid from \$8.90 to \$11 a ton for it, at a time when it was selling for much less at some of the mines. The heavy purchases were made against the advice of Colonel D. B. Wentz, of Philadelphia, president of the National Coal Association, who was a purchasing agent for the War Department, and who told the department coal was comparatively cheap and should be bought only in small lots.

As Colonel Wentz viewed it, Secretary Baker, like many consumers, got "squeaked" over the coal situation and set out to buy regardless of price paid at a time when a decline was imminent. The committee got no further to-day with respect to the scandal partly revealed by George H. Cushing, managing director of the American Wholesale Coal Association, who said yesterday that government officials had formed a plan to speculate in coal and who privately gave the committee the name of a dollar-a-year man who is involved. The committee has not changed its purpose to get to the bottom of this matter.

With respect to the Geological Survey, Mr. Morrow told the committee that about \$8,000 was appropriated by his department for the employment of the survey to do special preparatory statistics. These are weekly reports of coal production and cover some other facts relating to the industry. The Congressional committee is now considering the matter.

Prices Raised 300 Per Cent
As a result of the operations of these manufacturers, said Mr. Undermyer, the price of the product has been advanced 300 per cent since 1915. The manufacturers are doing a business in the aggregate of about \$150,000,000 a year.

Numerous letters and documents were introduced by the committee, showing that an active campaign had been carried on by both the Southern and Eastern manufacturers to prevent the use of light or standard prices.

Instructions to Citizens
Citizens are requested to promptly report to Police Headquarters, to the nearest police station or any police officer, any suspicious circumstances. Where motor vehicles are concerned the number of the car, and if possible a description of the occupants should be taken.

Citizens having any information regarding the movement of criminals, or any information which may be of value to this department, are requested to transmit it to Police Headquarters, either by telephone or mail.

Woman Frisks Another As Aid of Highwaymen

Mrs. Mertz's Auto Stopped by Robbers Whose Machine Blocks Roadway

Assisted by a woman, upon whom devolved the task of searching the victim, two highwaymen in an automobile held up Mrs. Clarence Mertz, of Port Chester, on Westchester Avenue, in the outskirts of White Plains, yesterday. They obtained \$50.

Mrs. Mertz was driving her car in the afternoon. She was halted by a large touring car containing two men and a woman, the machine halting in front of her, blocking the street. A man stepped from the car and pointed a revolver at Mrs. Mertz, commanding her to alight.

The woman, who was with the men in the automobile did most of the searching. When a roll of bills had been found the three quickly entered Mrs. Mertz's car and backed it around and started up Red Oak Avenue at high speed. The car did not carry any license number.

Three auto loads of State Police from Troop K assisted a detachment of White Plains police in looking for the highwaymen.

Crime Wave Continues as Enright Asks Public's Aid

Amateur Detectives Urged to Trap Crooks as Rifle Patrol Fails to End Safe Cracking and Robbery

Court Increases Bail Bonds of 204

Phone Company Told to Give Preference to Po- lice Calls; Seek U. S. Law to Stop Pistol Carrying

Police Commissioner Richard L. Enright called upon the public last night to inform the police at once not only of any crime, but of any "suspicious circumstances" amateur sleuths might discover. He said he had asked the telephone company to give preference to police calls.

He did not say, however, whether this appeal was inspired by the fact that police auto squadrons, rifle brigades and other crime pursuing agencies have scoured the streets for seventy-two hours without reporting any arrest of importance.

Mr. Enright's curiosity concerning crimes that are happening in the city was partially gratified yesterday by reports of two new safe robberies which yielded a total of \$9,500 in loot, and sundry minor robberies and other offenses.

Bail Increases Ordered
Judge John F. McIntyre, in pursuance of the plan decided upon by all the judges of General Sessions as a repressive measure, summoned to his part of General Sessions 204 men indicted on felony charges, most of whom had been at liberty under bail and ordered them to produce additional surety at once.

The prevailing rates were \$25,000 in the case of a robbery charge, \$20,000 in the case of a burglary charge, \$10,000 when the charge was illegal possession of a revolver, and \$4,000 if the charge was picking pockets. One hundred and sixty-one of the defendants were unable to furnish the additional bail demanded and were sent to the Tombs.

Acting Inspector John D. Connelley, commanding the detective bureau, announced he was making a determined effort to find out who puts up the collateral and arranges for the bailing of prisoners charged with robbery by arms companies. "The police suspect that often part of the loot of hold-ups is deposited to indemnify the bonding companies."

Arthur Woods, former Police Commissioner, points out in an article in the current number of The Weekly Review the danger of making promotions in the Police Department simply in the order of seniority. "The police are now being promoted in the order of seniority. That is the policy being followed now, he says, and is one which will lead to an inefficient staff of officers and an insubstantial rank and file. He refers in detail of the development of the police training school during his regime."

Jersey May Stop Gun Sales
George P. Le Brun, secretary of the Legislative League for the Conservation of Life, has written Governor Edwards and also has drafted a bill for presentation before Congress forbidding the carrying of pistols by mail.

Rumors that Commissioner Enright intended to resign, that Chief Inspector Loney was to be reduced and that a general transfer involving the entire force was being considered, were denied by Commissioner Enright's appeal to the public for tips on crime and crooks.

Enright requested the New York Telephone Company to give preference to calls from citizens for Police Headquarters or any police station, so that in event of trouble or need for help a police officer can be rushed immediately to the place where his services are needed.

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Citizens having any information regarding the movement of criminals, or any information which may be of value to this department, are requested to transmit it to Police Headquarters, either by telephone or mail.

Call Police Headquarters, Spring 3100 and ask for crime information. "Many people possessing knowledge which may be of great importance to this department refrain from imparting it to the police authorities because of the trouble it may give them to take the necessary steps or because of lack of knowledge as to how or where to take the information to be treated confidentially."

Garage owners should give special attention to suspicious cars or suspicious persons using cars, particularly in the night time, and promptly report the circumstances to the police. "Orders have been issued to stop parking of automobiles in front of banks and jewelry houses until further orders."

Dash of Enright Rifles Fails to Halt Banditry

Commissioner Enright's city-wide round-up of crooks, gun toters and vagrants, which up to midnight has been in spectacular progress for sev-